

## THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—For Upper and Lower Michigan and Wisconsin: Light rain, colder Monday night; southerly winds.

## This Date in History—March 23.

- 1607—Crawford concluded treaty with France.
- 1777—Declaration of independence by the British.
- 1801—Annexation of West India Islands, succeeded by Alexander I.
- 1813—Treaty of Vienna between Great Britain, Austria, Prussia and France.
- 1815—The Harriet captured the Penguin.
- 1826—Louisiana invaded by Charles Albert, king of Sardinia.
- 1856—Commercial treaty concluded between Japan and United States by Commodore Perry.
- 1861—Confederate fleet at Washington by Gen. Sherman.
- 1879—Bill for purchase of St. Thomas' land rejected by Senate.
- 1879—Slavery abolished in Porto Rico.
- 1879—Chief Justice of the United States appointed, born 1814.

## DIED.

McNAMARA—Lewis McNamara, at the residence of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. McNamara, 62 S. Lafayette-st., aged two months and nineteen days.

## TOWN TOPICS.

Cabinets \$2, Wykes', 35 Monroe-st.

George Ellington was arrested yesterday on Canal-st., for fast driving.

The south end residents smile once more. The cable cars are running.

The plans for the addition to the Peninsular Club House are nearly completed.

The Evergreen Social Club will give a ball in the Germania Hall next Wednesday evening.

U. S. Attorney Palmer is at Iron Mountain conducting the examination of a gang of counterfeiters.

The amended plans for the new police headquarters will be laid before the board of public works Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Southwick, formerly proprietor of the St. Dennis Hotel on Monroe-st., will take charge of the Livingston on Tuesday.

Messrs. C. E. Boddorf and O. H. Helmer, two prominent young business men of Mechanicsville, Iowa, are in the city visiting friends.

The Democratic city committee will hold a meeting in Senator Doran's office this evening to make arrangements for the spring election.

The one hundredth anniversary of the adoption of the constitution of Poland will be celebrated by the Polish residents of this city May 3.

The Woman's Home and Hospital Association has purchased the Granger property on Bostwick-st., and will use it for a site for their proposed home.

An amendment to the city charter will be presented to the Legislature this week, giving the Common Council the power to say where saloons shall and shall not be located.

## DEATH OF MRS. HOUSEMAN.

She Quietly Expires at her Home on Division Street Yesterday.

Mrs. Jennie Houseman died at 2:45 yesterday afternoon, at the residence of her father, corner Fifth-ave. and Division-st., aged fifty years.

Mrs. Houseman was taken ill last Monday, and Dr. Barth was called. Her symptoms were not alarming and no apprehension was excited that her malady would terminate fatally. She rapidly grew worse, and Saturday Dr. Johnson was called. She was given medical relief, however, and quietly passed away at the hour stated, retaining consciousness up to the last moment. She had been sorely troubled for the past four weeks and seemed to be heart-broken over the shadow that crossed the threshold of her hopes when Hon. Julius Houseman died, just six weeks ago last night.

Mrs. Houseman was a woman of kindly instincts. Her heart was ever open to the appeals of the distressed and her quiet charity illumined many homes with gladness where the spectre of want and poverty had shed its gloom and sorrow. She was president of the South End Benevolent Association, and her death will be known with regret in the circles in which she was an active worker.

She was born in this city in 1841, and has continued to reside here ever since. Her father, Maxim Ringette, settled in this city in 1836, and has been an active and honored citizen for fifty-five years. Mrs. Houseman was the mother of Mrs. D. M. Amberg, and a sister of W. F. Ringette and Mrs. Louise Miller, all of this city, and including the father, who survive her.

Her funeral will be held from St. Andrew's Cathedral, and the interment will be made in the Catholic cemetery on Madison-ave. Notice of the time of funeral will be given later.

## WHY EASTER MOVES.

The Christian and the Jewish World Now Gazing on the Paschal Moon.

The waning moon which is now flooding the earth with its radiance on cloudless nights, is an object of special reverence for all Christians and Jews throughout the world. It is the "Paschal Moon," the very lunar phase upon which the Saviour of the world gazed in the night which he was betrayed. Next Sunday will be Easter Day. The mobility of Good Friday and Easter Day is by reason of their occurrence at the time of the Jewish Passover. This Jewish feast begins on the evening succeeding the 14th day of the month Nisan. But the Jewish months are lunar, and hence they are not stationary, like those of the Julian calendar, with reference to the sun in the zodiac. The Passover and Easter follow the moon of the vernal equinox. Any particular day of that lunation is liable to fluctuations of twenty-nine days. The vernal equinox occurs about the 21st of March. Hence the following rule of Easter, which is found in the Anglican prayer book: "Easter Day, on which the rest depend, is always the first Sunday after the first full moon, which happens upon or next after the 21st day of March; and if the full moon happens upon a Sunday, Easter Day is the Sunday after."

## Bad News From a Son.

Sheriff McQueen received a letter from his wife yesterday. She is with her son "Dib," at Pasadena, Cal., who went there some time ago for the benefit of his health. The letter stated that his condition is no better, and that there are no hopes for his recovery. Mrs. McQueen wrote that the Hon. J. C. Fitzgerald and wife, of this city, who are now on the Pacific Coast, visited them last week. Sheriff McQueen will go to Pasadena if he does not receive more favorable news soon, and will bring Mrs. McQueen and their son home.

## POLITICAL PERHAPS.

The Situation Carefully Surveyed on the Basis of Many "ifs."

As stated by the TELEGRAM-HERALD yesterday, the number of persons whom some of their neighbors deem worthy to serve their country in the Common Council, is somewhat larger than the candidates for the city tickets. Nearly every outgoing alderman hopes to become an incoming alderman, and the majority have not hesitated to say so. It is understood that Alderman Creque would shed no tears over a retirement from the public service, and J. Rowenthal has been mentioned to succeed him. Alderman Stobins, of the Fourth ward would consent to serve another term, but would make no great effort to conciliate the floating vote with money or most emoluments.

In the first ward, it is said that Harry Degraaf is looking wistfully toward Stryker's seat, while the present incumbent will try to hang onto it. For the Second, C. E. Herrington's is the most prominent name mentioned as a successor to Alderman Creque. For the Third ward, if A. E. Yerex does not succeed himself, L. G. Dunton has been mentioned as one who may be nominated by the Republicans. The Republican candidates of the fourth ward are, so far as known, Miles G. Teachout and Elmer Rice; Democratic, Andrew J. Stelmus and J. L. Stelmus. The Democrats mentioned for the Fifth are Donovan, Mahoney and Lefingwell; Republican, George Cogshall. Jer. H. Anderson expects to succeed himself in the Sixth, and possible rivals are Paul Maris and B. S. Bullard, on the Republican side, and John Barrett on the Democratic side. In the Seventh, no candidates have yet had the temerity to aspire to Joe Emmer's chair. J. A. McKee hopes to serve the city another term. J. M. Turner of the Ninth, is wholly in the hands of his Democratic friends, and will not go back on them if he is nominated and elected, but some friends of J. Kintelman think that gentleman a good man to succeed Mr. Turner. The Tenth ward is the richest in candidates of all the wards. Henry E. Doren feels himself called upon to accept a re-nomination, if it be tendered him. J. Dregge, S. Wessellus, W. Shaw, Myron H. Hester, James Dolbe, Joshua Speed, John Scheffer and Loomis K. Bishop, have all been talked of among their political friends.

## VIOLATING HIS OWN LAWS.

The Bricklayers Shown to be Inconsistent and Hypocritical.

GRAND RAPIDS, March 22, 1891.

To the Editor of the TELEGRAM-HERALD:

President Pat Hayes, of the Bricklayers' and Masons' Union, No. 1, of Michigan, is laying bricks on a stone foundation wall, so called by union men. That is, a stone foundation wall built by others than members of their union, and is a distinct violation of their laws just enacted, and of which due notice was served on the mason contractors and builders of the Exchange, and which reads as follows:

BEAR IN MIND—This is to inform you that after February 14, 1891, the bricklayers and masons of this union will not be allowed to lay brick or stone on a foundation that was constructed or built by others but members of the Bricklayers' and Masons' of the International Union. How is this for a president? And what is worse, this stone work was erected by one of the worst so-called scab contractors who openly and defiantly held the union at bay, and who continues to do business independent of them. Nevertheless, they accuse us union contractors of trying to break up the rules of their union, when we have always hired none but union men and paid union wages, and have had no trouble on our part nor sought to have any. They also claim that they have no disturbers of the peace in their midst, and that they spend their own money, and do not seek to empty their treasury funds.

Do they forget two years ago of paying Eph. Parsons, one of their prominent members, \$25.00 per week and his salary bills, for several weeks? He was a walking boss to prevent masons from working on the Orcl cabinet furniture company's buildings. What are you doing now but trying to stop our jobs? The contractors of this Exchange have no trouble with their men, nor do they seek to have any. But there is limit to what is reasonable and right. And in anticipation of those evils which we claim affected our mutual interests as employers and employees, engaged in the same line of business, we asked them in a communication of December 18, 1890, to meet us and have a quiet and business-like talk over our business interests, that in the end we would be both benefited thereby, and have our relationship go along pleasantly and harmoniously. We did meet and adjourned, and were notified by the union that they could not just then answer our communication, but as soon as their delegates would return from the bricklayers convention they would meet us and continue our first meeting.

This has never been done. Our communication of that date is not answered, nor is their promise thereto fulfilled. If this matter had been acted upon as they agreed, and which two of their members who visited us told us should have been done, and that the union acted in an ungentlemanly manner towards us, as they had served on said committee and did not know they were discharged. They proclaimed to us that a wrong had been done by them to the contractors.

And there would have been no trouble if this business had been attended to and finished in a gentlemanly and business-like manner, and which was our reason for taking the matter up so early so as to have an agreeable understanding between both parties in the future.

We still are open for a neighborly talk and have our first communication acted upon as per your note of promise dated January 9, 1891. Brothers, life is short to be used up in such unbusinesslike methods. For the mason contractors, by the

MASON CONTRACTORS' COMMITTEE.

Swearing on Sunday.

A. Morrison and C. Bogeid, were arrested on East Fulton-st., and will be charged this morning with disorderly conduct. The specification will be cursing and swearing.

At first a little, hacking cough,  
"Tis nothing but a cold,"  
They say, "Twill very soon wear off."  
Alas, the story old!  
The hectic cheek, the failing strength,  
The grief that cannot save,  
And life's wan flame goes out, at length,  
In a consumptive's grave.  
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## A NIGHT ASSIGNMENT.

A Reporter's Experience in City Hall Park in the Rain.

NEW YORK, March 19.—It was in city hall park. There were only three of them—tramps. On more favorable nights there would have been fifty. It rained. Hence the desolation of the place.

Nevertheless I braved the elements, and armed with an umbrella and overcoat I sat me on one of the iron seats which the city provides. I waited long for developments of my scheme—to interview some of the tramps—but small developments came. It was too wet.

And I had to content myself with interviewing the three unfortunates whom luck doomed to be there.

The first one I approached seemed to be asleep. I poked him in the ribs, and he said, "I ain't 'sleep, cap." And then he rolled round on the seat and slept again. He was apparently an habitual. The second tramp was also asleep, but when I aroused him he said:

"Are you one of those newspaper blokes?" and, being answered in the affirmative, the poor fellow's eyes glistened in the electric light and he said to me:

"You can do something for me. I was a carpenter. I superintended most of the work on Vanderbilt's houses on Fifth avenue. But here I am—a wreck."

I asked him how I could help him, and he said:

"You just tell the Vanderbilts that Pete McMahon is hard up, an' they'll see to it."

Perhaps they will when they read this. The third sleeper was a peculiar individual. He resented my awakening of him, but after a little while I got him into good humor and he told me his history. He said his father was a celebrated horse breeder in Frankfort, Ky. Naturally he followed the stables, and as luck favored him he was one day rich, the next poor—in debt. He came on to New York, played the races and lost. The hotel people turned him out; he pawned everything he had; played the races still, and finally a ten cent bed on the Bowery was a luxury to him. I asked him:

"How long is it since you made any money?"

And he replied:

"Made money? The last I made was when Iroquois won the Derby. Oh, yes! 'tis a long time ago."

"Then how do you manage to live?" I asked.

"Well, over in Barclay street I often get a dollar for helping the gamblers—see? and I don't often have to sleep out here."

I did not impart him much further. The poor fellow was sleepy. I gave him the price of a Bowery cot and went to my train, but the memory of those three tramps will haunt me.

The scene will be ever present to me—the great buildings on either side, the electric lights all around, all indicative of wealth, and the three unfortunates, asleep on the cold seats in the park, oblivious of the grandeur of the scene or of the drenching rain that poured upon them. These are pictures of life in a great city. Why should it be? Ask the conservers of the people. They cannot help it. It will ever be so—poverty and want and craving, within a stone's throw of wealth. "For the poor there is not even justice." — ROSE F. WALSH.

## Franklin's Neglected Tomb.

PHILADELPHIA, March 19.—The tomb of Benjamin Franklin in this city is going to ruin at an astonishing rate. It is located in a corner of the Friends' burying ground at Fifth and Arch streets. As a rule relics and landmarks are looked after with the greatest of care in the City of Brotherly Love, but in this instance the neglect has been most palpable.

The tomb itself is not unlike hundreds of others in the quaint cemetery. It is located in the northwest corner, and the only thing to distinguish it from the others is on Decoration Day, when the comrades of Hector Tyndal post place a wreath of fragrant flowers on its moldy surface. A flat marble slab, discolored and crumbling with age and neglect, covers the tomb. After the debris and dead leaves have been pushed one side a patient man with good eyesight will be able to decipher the following:

BENJAMIN AND DEBORAH 1706.

Nothing more than this to mark the last resting place of one of the greatest Americans. No sentiment of any sort, no epitaph. Years before he died Franklin wrote an inscription to be placed over his tomb. It is no doubt familiar to many, but years have not impaired its beauty or poetry. Here it is:

THE BODY OF  
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, PRINTER  
(LIKE THE COVER OF AN OLD BOOK,  
ITS CONTENTS WORN OUT  
AND STRIPPED OF ITS LETTERING AND GILDING),  
LIES HERE POOR FOR WORK!  
FOR THE WORK ITSELF SHOULD NOT BE LOST,  
FOR IF IT WILL, AS HE BELIEVED, APPEAR ONCE MORE,  
CORRECTED AND AMENDED  
BY THE AUTHOR.

Notwithstanding Franklin's desire and expressed wishes, this never appeared over his last resting place.

A few years ago, when an international electrical congress was in session in Philadelphia, a proposition was made that they look after the grave of the man who had drawn electricity from the clouds with his kite. It was suggested that a fine railing be placed around the tomb and an electric light constantly illuminate it by night. But alas for the fickleness of human nature, this was never done, and the tomb remains now, as before, neglected and forgotten.

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**MAYOR**  
—OF—  
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(Write distinctly One Name Only.)

The Polls will close at noon of March 31, and the result will be announced in the TELEGRAM-HERALD of April 1.

ADDRESS  
EDITOR MAYOR'S BALLOT.  
TELEGRAM-HERALD, Grand Rapids.

As the mayor of the city is its representative, a live city should have a live mayor. The time approaches when the citizens will be called upon to choose a new one. The TELEGRAM-HERALD proposes to give every citizen of Grand Rapids a chance to name his choice. The polls will be opened at once and citizens are requested to name their candidates on the form of ballot printed herewith. No other form of ballots will be received. The polls will close at noon March 31, and the result will be announced in the TELEGRAM-HERALD of April 1. The balloting certainly ought to bring out the people's choice. Cut the ballot from the paper, fill in the name of your favorite and mail to Editor Mayor's Ballot, TELEGRAM-HERALD, Grand Rapids' Michigan. The result will be announced from time to time as occasion seems to demand.

## A Novel

And brilliant event. The retail opening of Corl Knott & Co. 20 and 22 North Division-st., Wednesday from 7 to 10 o'clock. Everybody cordially invited. No goods sold on Wednesday evening. Regular opening days Thursday and Friday, March 25 and 26.

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